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HB-6002

AN ACT CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING AND REPORTING OF RESULTS AT THE 2020 STATE ELECTION AND ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION.

AMENDMENT

LCO No.: 3839

OFA Fiscal Note

No Fiscal Impact

The amendment, which strikes section 5 of the bill, has no fiscal impact. Specifically, the amendment removes the provision permitting absentee ballots to be deposited into a secure drop box for the 2020 state election and the provision requiring a police escort for a clerk, or their designee, to a drop box if said box is outside a building other than where the clerk's office is located.

There is no fiscal impact as a result of the amendment as drop boxes for absentee ballots were ordered for the primary election¹ and local police departments/resident state troopers are anticipated to be able to provide an escort within current resources.

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Sources: Secretary of the State

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¹ SOS ordered 200 drop boxes at a total cost of approximately \$365,000, including shipping. Costs are anticipated to be supported by federal CARES Act funding